



UNITED STATES MINT



America the Beautiful Quarters™ Program

Design Selection Process

Step 1

The United States Mint will initiate the formal design process for each national site as identified by the order of the official list approved by the Secretary of the Treasury (see Site Selection Process). Designs will be processed at a rate of five per year.

Step 2

The United States Mint will contact the head of the Federal entity responsible for the supervision, management, or conservancy of each national site. The United States Mint will ask the Federal entity's head to appoint a knowledgeable Federal official to serve as its liaison for the national site (e.g., National Park Superintendent, National Forest Supervisor, Federal Preservation Officer). The liaison will assist the United States Mint by identifying source materials for candidate designs.

Step 3

Based on the source materials, the United States Mint will produce three to five candidate designs focusing on aesthetic beauty, historical accuracy, authenticity, appropriateness and coinability.

Step 4

The United States Mint will consult with the liaison for the Federal entity responsible for the supervision, management, or conservancy of the national site to ensure the historical accuracy, authenticity, and overall composition of each candidate design to ensure it appropriately represents the site.

Step 5

Final candidate designs will be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior, the chief executive of the host jurisdiction (State/District of Columbia/Territory), the Commission of Fine Arts (CFA), and the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) for review and comment. The United States Mint may make changes to address any concerns or recommendations resulting from this review process.

Step 6

The Director of the United States Mint will make a final recommendation to the Secretary of the Treasury, after considering all relevant factors, including the comments and recommendations of the Secretary of the Interior, the chief executive, the CFA, the CCAC, and the Federal entity responsible for the supervision, management, or conservancy of each national site.

Step 7

The Secretary of the Treasury will make the final design selection.